- (a) Participation in the cost of tuition and fees at a post-secondary institution participating in federal financial aid programs is based on the expected family contribution (EFC) as determined by that institution's financial aid office. The EFC is based on the individual's Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) and reported to the college or university on the individual's Student Aid Report (SAR).
 - Participation in the cost of tuition and fees is waived, regardless of EFC level, for clients with an IPE in place on or before October 1, 2009 that includes as vocational rehabilitation services tuition and fees at a post-secondary institution participating in federal financial aid programs until one of the following conditions is met, whichever occurs first:
 - a. The client has received the Division's sponsorship for a total of 12 full academic semesters or the institution's equivalent over the course of the client's vocational rehabilitation case; or
 - b. The client's IPE identifies only an associate's degree and the client has received the Division's sponsorship for a total number of attempted academic hours equal to the institution's academic hour requirement for the associate's degree specified in the IPE or subsequent IPE amendments; or
 - c. The client's IPE identifies a bachelor's degree and the client has received the Division's sponsorship for a total number of attempted academic hours equal to the institution's academic hour requirement for the bachelor's degree specified in the IPE or subsequent IPE amendments; or
 - d. The client's IPE identifies a graduate degree and the client has received the Division's sponsorship for a total of attempted academic hours equal to the institution's academic hour requirement for the degree specified in the IPE.
 - 2. Additional exceptions for clients in section 1 may be granted at the Commissioner's discretion based on significant extenuating circumstances that are disability-related and under which a client would be effectively denied post-secondary education services necessary to achieve the client's employment objective if such exception were not granted.